



Name of Event: [Side Event] Next Steps after Chair's Summary

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1) Outline

Following the Chair's summary, this was an informal post-Platform session open to all delegates to reflect on their personal summary of the GP and to explore and share the steps that they as individuals will be taking on their return to their place of work.

With so many topics covered during the Global Platform, it isn't always easy to focus down on the core actions that will help to make a difference. This individually-focused session supported delegates to consider what they now want to achieve in the coming days, weeks and months, and what they can do to achieve it.

Andrew Bidnell, from the Global Network of Civil Society Organizations for Disaster Reduction facilitated this event.

2) Key messages, outcomes, recommendations

Three questions were asked and individuals were invited to work individually and then in pairs to articulate and reflect on their responses:

- **What do I want to make happen as a result of attending this Global Platform?**
 - What will change?
 - What will people think/feel/do?
 - What would really make a difference in my sphere of influence?

- **How can I achieve that outcome?**
 - List no more than three actions to take that will help achieve your desired outcomes:

- **Who is going to help me? And how?**

- Identify the key people who will help, advise and challenge you to achieve your outcomes.
- How will you request their help?

3) Conclusions

- After such a great deal of content covered during the week, it helps to reflect on 'what this means for me as an individual, in my role, in my organization.'
- Achieving clarity on outcomes, and then identifying activities to reach those outcomes helps to ensure success
- Consideration of who to speak to over the coming days, and the nature of that conversation is an important part of the planning process
- Different delegates shared different responses to the three broad questions including:
 - thinking on compiling presentations and reports back to 'my organization'
 - conversations I need to have with teams / people in my organization,
 - consideration of how I align DRR topics discussed with the wider strategic plan in my organization
 - consideration of my communication style, content and messaging
 - delegates considered different individuals with whom it would help to have conversations with, and identified specific 'requests' that needed to be made.

Delegates were invited to share their thoughts via the GNDR website:

<http://www.globalnetwork-dr.org/conference-blog/confpoll.html>